GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA

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LIFTING OF ADDITIONAL DUTY ON IMPORTS
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government has agreed to lift 4% additional duty on primary products coming though Nepal;

(b) If so, the details thereof;

(c) Whether any sage guard on the possible adverse effects on the domestic industries is in place;

(d) If so, the details thereof; and

(e) If not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S.PALANIMANICKAM)

(a) With effect from 07.06.06, the Government has exempted specified primary products, imported from Nepal from 4% additional duty of customs.

(b) The details of such primary products are:-

(1) Agriculature, horticulture and forest products and minerals which ahve not undergone any processing,

(2) Rice, pulses and flours,

(3) Timber,

(4) Jaggery (gur and shakar),

(5) Animals, birds and fish,

(6) Bees, bee-wax and honey,

(7) Raw wool, goat hair, and bones as are used in the manufacture of bone-meal,

(8) Milk, home made products of milk and eggs,

(9) Ghani-produced oil and oil cakes,

(10) Ayurvedic and herbal medicines,

(11) Articles produced by village artisans for use primarily in villages,

(12) Akara,

(13) Yak Tail.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.

(e) No specific issues relating to adverse inpact of such exemption has been brought to the notice of this Ministry so far.